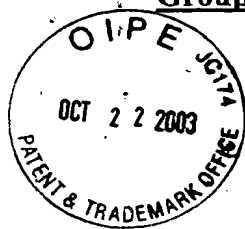


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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated April 22, 2003, issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Application. Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition for a Three Months Extension of Time. Therefore, response is now due October 22, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.